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AT the Court at St. *James's*, the 5th Day of *December*, 1715.

This Day his Majesty in Council, was pleased to appoint the following Sheriffs, *viz.*

Bucks,	Francis Tyrringham, *Esq*;
Cumberland,	Thomas Brougham *of* Scales, *Esq*;
Dorset,	Nicholas Carys, *Esq*;
Derby	Stephen Offley, *Esq*;
Glocester,	Abraham Elton, Senior, *Esq*;
Lancaster,	Thomas Crispe, *Esq*;
Oxford,	Charles Crispe, *Esq*;
Stafford,	Weston Baylie *of* Herborne, *Esq*;
	South-Wales.
Brecknock,	Henry Williams, *Esq*;
Glamorgan,	Evan Says, *Esq*;
Radnor,	John Clark, *Esq*;
Carmarthen,	*Sir* Charles Lloyd, *Bart.*
Pembroke,	John Skyrime, *Esq*;
Cardigan,	Thomas Hugh's, *Esq*;
	North-Wales.
Montgomery,	John Scot, *Esq*;
Denbigh,	William Carter, *Esq*;
Flint,	Josiah Jones, *Esq*;
Carnarvan,	Lewis Owen, *Esq*,
Merioneth,	John Lloyd, *Esq*;
Anglesea,	Maurice Williams, *Esq*;

Vienna, *Dec.* 27. On the 23d Instant the Elector of Trier fell sick, and the Physicians taking it to be a Fit of a Fever, they let him Blood on the 24th; but on the 25th it appeared to be the Small-Pox, and of the worst sort. On the 25th Baron Nimisch arrived here with the Barrier Treaty signed, for the Emperor's Ratification. Yesterday the two Ambassadors of Lucca had their Audience of the Emperor, wherein they complimented him on his Accession to the Crown. They went to Court in a Coach with six Horses, attended by two other Coaches, 4 Pages, 4 Heyduks, and 16 Footmen in rich Liveries: But they have not made a publick Entry, nor were they covered before the Emperor. This Day the several Ministers of Saxony have taken the Investitures for their Masters.

Ratisbon, *Decemb.* 5. Letters from Buda say, the Imperial Regiments in Hungary had Order to provide themselves with every Thing necessary for the Campaign, against next Spring. Letters from Rome of the 9th past relate, that the Imperial Ambassador solicited the Pope for a Brief of Eligibility to the Church of Munster, in favour of the Elector of Trier; but that Affair was likely to be referred to the Consistory, and to be united with a Brief of the same Nature, which had been demanded in the Elector of Bavaria's Name, for the Church of Ratisbon, in favour of one of his Sons. Father Salerno a Jesuit, was ready to set out from Rome for Poland; the Substance of his Commission was said to be, to employ the Pope's Name and Authority for keeping several Bishops of that Kingdom, who began to waver, in their Faith and Allegiance to King Augustus. The Elector of Cologn is set out from Munich for Bon; and the Electoral Prince of Bavaria was to begin his Journey for Italy as to Day.

Hambourg, *Dec.* 10. Our last Letters from the Camp before Stralsund are of the 7th and 8th Instant, advising, that in the Night between the 3d and 4th the Swedes made a Sally, but with little effect. On the 4th some Houses in Stralsund were burnt, being set on fire by Bombs thrown in by the Besiegers. On the 5th in the Evening a Detachment commanded by Collonel Guldenstiern attacked the Counterscarp of the Hornwork, and after some Resistance carried it, making 84 Swedes Prisoners; but the Loss of the Besiegers in this Action was pretty considerable. The Allies are now raising Batteries on that Counterscarp, in order to make Breaches in the Hornwork, and in the Body of the Place. On the 6th another Part of the Town was set on fire by the Besiegers Bombs, and several Houses were burnt down. The King of Sweden continues in Stralsund, and as Deserters report is continually busy in directing the making of Intrenchments within the Place. 'Tis said his Majesty has ordered his Fiscal to proceed against M. Trauttetter and Zulich, for suffering the Intrenchment before the Town to be surprized, and not defending it better: And that his Majesty has broke all the Officers who capitulated at Oldensahr on the Island of Rugen.

Brussels, *Dec.* 11. On the 3d Instant Count Rechteren and M. Geldermalsen, two Deputies of the States General, arrived here from Antwerp: They were next Morning in Conference with Count Konigseck the Imperial Minister, about the Evacuation of the Towns to be given up to the Emperor after the Ratifications of the Barrier Treaty are exchanged, and it is said his Imperial Majesty proposes to take all the Artillery and Stores of War belonging to the States General in those Towns, at the Price to be agreed on by the said Ministers; who are also to ascertain the Sum to be allowed by their High Mightinesses out of the annual Subsidy, as an Equivalent for the Revenues of the Lands given in Propriety by his Imperial Majesty to the States General for an Extention of their Limits in Flanders. The News we have received from Vienna, of the Emperour's designing the Duke of Lorrain for Governour of the Spanish Netherlands, and giving the Dutchy of Limbourg to the Elector of Palatine, does not a little alarm us here.

Brill, *Decemb.* 2. *O. S.* This Evening arrived here from England, Mr. Horatio Walpole, his Britannick Majesty's Minister to the States General; and to Morrow he will proceed to the Hague.

Whitehall,